## LXXVI., NO. 73.

WEATHER TODAY-Clearing; colder SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 26, 1907.

ILL CARRY FIGHT IN FEDERAL COURT

adfield Mine Operators to isk for Dissolution of the Miners' Union.

OSTERN FEDERATION IS CENSURED SHARPLY

dared to Be Organized for Destruction of Property, Bloodshed and Riot.

MIDFIELD, Nev., Dec. the fight into the Federal court be the next move of the Goldfield oners association. Tomorrow a will be filed in the Circuit court ne district of Nevada, asking not for an injunction against picketand interference, but for the final ention of the Goldfield Miners

to sait is to be filed by the Gold-Consolidated Mines company st the Goldfield Miners union, the m Federation of Miners, Charles Mickinnon, president of the local a and nineteen other officers of one. The complaint sets forth illeged vast extent and richness the mining interests involved, and large number of persons holding m in the mines in various States Territories; alleges that the Gold-Miners union and the Western ention of Miners are voluntarily estion of Miners are voluntarily especiated associations, and that it claimed to be a part of der larger organization known as industrial Workers of the World, e unicorporated, which has the sprinciples and seeks to accomplish emits by the same alleged unlawmults by the same alleged unlaw-nethods, and has in its ranks as there of these associations not only muers of the Goldfield district, but we laborers, such as waiters, clerks, in barbers and barkeepers.

Allegations Against Federation. Megations Against Federation.

In further alleged that the West-Federation of Miners is organized the destruction of property and using "endless strice, disorder, assed and rioting." The Goldfield is is charged in the bill with "invition" and of being guilty of unon destruction of property, muric innocent, citizens, lawlessness (marchy to such an extent that it is stuted a reign of terror in the delid district." It is further algebra to the Goldfield union is a sminal society."

inal society scourt is asked to hale the de-us before it to answer the al-ins of the complaint, and to isedats from obstructing the busi of the Consolidated Mines comm by threat, intimidation or picket An injunction against boycott is my assed for. The court is asked taken more meetings. Watchers or Amors are asked for, with full au-min to enter on the property of the ant and to carry out the or-

violating them. Would Dissolve Union.

maily, it is petitioned that the in-tion be made permanent and that Gehineld Miners union be abated forever dissolved as a nuisance perpetually enjoined from any fur-mentings or action of whatever for nature. The complaint is signed wrge Wingfield, vice president of susolidated Mines company, effect of the filing of this, it is

may be to induce President Roose to order a portion of the troops in Goldfield to remain on the mod to assist in the enforcement of is in Goldfield to remain Stad to assist in the enforcement of Bandates of the Federal court, if

## MAD OF DEFUNCT BANK PLACED UNDER ARREST

RANGO, Colo., Dec. 25.—Charles E. PANGO, Colo., Dec. 25.—Charles E. smell, president of the Smelter City which closed IIs doors December to tought placed under arrest. The tast upon which he was arrested was to be Harry Jackson, a depositor hank, who had \$3400 on deposit the institution closed its doors.

Sommittee which has charge of exists the affairs of the bank today that on December 12 Mr. McConnell and borrowed \$10,000 in cash from his hank for money but the books of the Smelter and did not show that the \$10,000 and placed on deposit there, committee sent for Mr. McConnell settlement in the for several hours as that he had deep the several hours as

p desiloned him for several hours as that he had done with the \$10,000. The the conference Mr. Jackson swore the warrant and the sheriff placed & Company to accounted in [all before the fay Mr. McConnell borrowed the from the First National bank was the day that the Colorado State closed its doors.

## RIPLE TRAGEDY MARKS MAS AT RIVERSIDE, CAL.

BERSIDE. Cal. Dec. 25. P. V. Serum constable at Tomocula, this and Louis Escallier, a French-are shot and instantly killed last by Horace Magee, a half-breed and in the Economic billiard-room. It is a service to the head with a safe by John Jackson, a bystander, will die. Magee entered the room and use by John Jackson, a bystander, will die. Magee entered the room and used insulting janguage. Litter the became angered and drew his pisses shot without provocation. Two are wild, a third pierced Swange and the proposed wild, a third pierced Swangeart. Escalifer pursued Magee. shot without provocation. Two seas wild, a third pierced Swan-leart. Escallier pursued Magee. floor, where the latter fired again. Escallier instantly. Jackson, who sans he brakeman, pursued the inform the lead with a billiard cue, offs fatal injuries.

Embassador Tower Entertains.

# SPEND CHRISTMAS IN HUNT FOR MURDERER

Heavily-Armed Desperado Kills Woman and Son, Then Makes Escape.

ST, LOUIS, Dec. 25.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Little Rock, Ark.,

Post-Dispatch from Little Rock, Ark., says:

Farmers and planters in the neighborhood of Moss, six miles from Conway, in Faukner county, are spending Christmas in a hunt for Jim Hall, who is alleged to have shot and killed Mrs. Emma Hearness and her son, 8 years old, Christmas eve. The man is said to be heavily armed and a desperate light is expected.

Hall is charged with having gone to the Hearness house on the Moss plantation late yesterday and acused Mrs. Hearness of throwing scalding water on his hound. According to reports, as the frightened woman attempted to five from the house, the man fired three shots into her body, killing her instantly. Her little boy, struck by one of the bullets, fell dead across her body.

James B. Hall, who shot and killed Mrs. Emma Hearness and her son Frank, on Christmas eve, was captured today by Sheriff Brady after a posse had searched the woods near here for several hours. Hall is accoused of having gone to the Hearness home and after accusing Mrs. Hearness of throwing scalding water on his hound, fired three shots into her body. killing her instantly. Hall claims he shot the woman and her son his house, and he says they had revolvers.

### M'CLELLAN WILL REMOVE HIS WATER COMMISSIONERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—As a result of the investigation made by the commissioners of accounts into the award of the contract for the construction of the Ashokan dam, a part of the city's new water supply system, the board of water commissioners will be removed by Mayor McClellan unless his action is forestalled by their resignations. This was made known today following the receipt by the Mayor of the report of the commissioners of accounts, John P. Mitchell, and Philip B. Gaynor.

B. Gaynor.

The water commissioners, Edward Simmons, Charles N. Chadwick and Charles N. Shaw, awarded the Ashokan contract to the MacArthur Bros. company, whose bid was \$12,669,775, against \$10,315,530 bid for the work by the John Pierce company. Protests were immediately filed and an inquiry was ordered by the Mayor. Charges of incompetency and misconduct, based upon an aligged waste of public funds, will be preferred against the members of the water board.

### MEXICAN FAMILIES OF LOS ANGELES DESTITUTE

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 25.—The action of the transcontinental railroads in discharging 106 Mexican or part Mexican laborers during the weeks preceding Christmas has given rise to a pitiable condition of poverty among this very numerous class of people. It is estimated that about 500 men in all were let out. Most of them have families, and nearly all were without money when discharged. It is estimated that about 500 able-hodded Mexicans with their families are destitute in this city at the present. An effort will be made to charter a freight train and sand to Mexico as many of them as desire to go. The remainder will have to be tooked after by the local charitable institutions.

### FOUGHT TO THE DEATH: REFUSE TO EXPLAIN

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Two men, both had returned from Missouri to visit his number of knife wounds, were found number of knife wounds, were found within a few feet of each other today at Grand avenue and Desplaines street.

The men had evidently slashed each other until both fell, weak from loss of bleed. The pair were placed in an ambulance and together taken to a hospital. When they recovered consciousness they refused to talk beyond giving their names as Nicholas Cescerous and Michael Homtadian.

Cescerous is diving from a wound in

Cescerous is dying from a wound in

### BELIEVES NEAL BANK WILL PAY OUT IN YEAR

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 25.—Negotiations for the closing up of the affairs of the Neal State bank, for which a receiver was appointed yesterday, were begun this afternoon, when W. F. Manry of the bank and the officers and the Central Hank and Trust corporation held a conference. President Chandler of the Central bank, President Chandler of the Central bank, in the course of a statement today, said he saw no reason why the depositors in the Neal bank should not be paid dollar for dollar, but that final settlement might require a year. He declared it might be possible for a first dividend of 10 per cent to be declared within thirty days.

## EMBASSADOR AOKI TO SAIL FOR HOME SOON

WASHINGTON. Dec. 25.—Viscount Aokt, the Japanese embassador, will sail for home on the steamer Manchuria, leaving San Francisco on January 7. He will be accompanied by the Viscountess Aoki. The embassador's original intention was to take the route from Scattle, but, in deference to the wishes of his wife and because of the latter's health, the plans were changed. The embassador will leave Washington on the 20th instant. He goes home in response to a summons from his Government for a discussion of conditions in America affecting of conditions in America affecting the interests of the Japanese.

## SAYS PACIFIC COAST IS PRACTICALLY DEFENSELESS

SEATTLE, Dec. 25.—Col. T. C. Woodburn, acting commander of the Department of the Columbia. U. S. A., in a
statement today, said that the whole Pacific coast would be helpless in case the
navy should prove unable to prevent the
landing of a force of 20,000 Japanese or
other foreign army at any of the numerous unprotected bays along the coast. He
said there are not 2000 regulars on the
Coast to resist an attack by land, where
150,000 Infantrymen are needed.

### BROKE" ON CHRISTMAS. TAKES SUICIDE ROUTE

## THE HOLIDAY WEEK

The Salt Lake Tribune.



## **BLOODY TRAGEDIES** OF CHRISTMAS DAY

Eastern Section of Tennessee Not Pervaded by Spirit of Peace and Good-Will.

mas day in the castern section of Tennessee has been an umizually bloody one. Newport. Tenn., today, Robert Knowles, a special policeman, tried to arrest William Allen for drunkenness. Knowles shot Allen through the body.

Allen lived two hours.

Near the Rio, Tenn., isaac Murray and Lake Norton, brothers-in-law, shot each other to death, using pistols and shot-guns. Norton, it is said, while drunk, went to Murray's house and created a disturbance.

wife, who has been living with her parents near that place, called her from church and empited his nisted in her body. She can not live, Jealousy was the cause. Wright is still at large.

At lashella, Polk county, John Hall, it is charged, shot and killed his brother-in-law, William Crowder. A woman is mixed up in the case, aged 20, shot and killed Lee Eldridge, a prominent man of Tolston valley, using a shotgum. Wallace had broken into the postoffice at Harris this morning. A warrant was placed in the hands of Deputy Sheriff White, who deputted Eldridge to assist in making the arrest. Wallace surprised the two men, and after killing Eldridge, made his oscape. wife, who has been living with her par

## NEW YORK WELCOMES ETHEL BARRYMORE

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Miss Ethel Barrymore found favor and a warm Sarrymere found favor and a warm welcome from a genial audience when she appeared tonight for the first time in New York in a play called "Her Sister," the joint composition of Clyde Fitch and Cosmo G. Lennox, at the Hudson theater. Ingenuously and elevorly constructed, with the seeming de-sign of affording Miss Barrymore an opportunity of displaying her talents, the play is replete with incidents some-times comic and sometimes sentimental. Miss Barrymore plays the part of a bright young woman who earns her way by fortune telling—designating herself 'lais,' and pretending to be an Egyptian prophetess. Situations devel-oping in a home of a family in which she had become attached to a member, furnished opportunities for excellent acting.

## BLACK HAND SOCIETY BROKEN UP BY POLICE

PHTESBURG, Dec. 25.—The seven-teen Italians arrested yesterday and al-leged to be members of the Black Hand society, were given hearings today be-fore Magistrate Grady and sentenced to the workhouse for from thirty to the workbouse for from thirty to muchy days, or fined amounts ranging from \$10 to \$100 each.

victors weapone were secured, including many firearms and stilettes. Police of ficers are confident the club was the meeting place of Black Hand outlaws.

## Prominent Lumberman Dies.

DENVER, Dec. 25. Out of work and despondent because he could not buy a Christmax present for hix daughter. Charles William McReynolds, said to be the oldest telegraph operator west of the Mississippi river, committed suicide this afterneon by shooting himself in the head. Until recently he had been in the employ of the Colorado & Southern rail way. He was 65 years old and had lived in Colorado since 1561.

Prominent Lumberman Dies.

FRESNO, Cal. Dec. 25. C. B. Shaver, president of the France Flue and Irrigating concerns of the largest lumbering concerns of the coast, died of dintities of three weeks. Deceased, before coming to this country was manager of a large lumbering concern in Michigan. He was president of the local Sequela way. He was 65 years old and had lived in Colorado since 1561.

## Index to Today's Tribune

Departments. Page. 

> Domestic. oldfield mine operators will carry their case to the Fed-

navigation and bureau of medi-Citizens of Moss. Ack., spend Christmas in hunt for double

George A Green of Philadel-phia, married, shoots young woman and attempts suicide. W. J. Bryan of Jacksonville, Fla. succeed the late Senator

fleet enjoy Christmas in Port neet engo, of Spain. Five bloody tragedies on Christ-mus day in eastern section of Tennessee

Local

Mayor Bransford will make few changes in personnel of city government Prazier expresses opinion con-cerning report on his charges cerning report on his charges against State Food Inspector John Peterson Penal institutions of city pro-vide Christmas fare for in-10

mates
Annual report of Union Pacific showing fatulous earnings during year ending June 30. 7
County Attorney Hanson to charge Thomas Vance with murder of wife Thursday. 10
Justice Danna T. Smith explains that he ordered autopsy on body of Howard I. Hunt and grills officials of telephone company. 10

## Sporting News.

Temaceo surprises racing talent in New Orleans.

Many athletes for the London Olympic games oppose Mathew P. Halpin as manager. Colonel Bob equals world's rec-ord of 1:11.2-5 for six fur-longs. longs ver Lawson of Salt Lake wins 24-hour race at Boston

# POWERS TRIAL DRAGS

GEORGETOWN, Kr., Dec. 25—Christmas dull, the morning being taken up with the testimony of W. R. Day, ex-State Treasurer, and the reading of the deposition of Charles Finley, followed by the former testimony of the late Gen. Dan R. Collier. The defense expects to close tomorrow and it is said the commonwealth is prepared to go on with its relation testimony. It is also said that Henry Youlsey will be brought back to contradict Powers's testimony.

Judge J. R. Morton of Lexington, formerly counsel in the Powers case, testified that he was in the court of appeals room when the shot was fired that killed Goebel.

RODIES RECOVERED

THE Wonderly and steempts since the shotning occurred on the side walk in the northern part of the city, as fashionable residential section, and has caused much comment. It developed late tonight that before he shot Miss Wonderly and attempted to end his own life, Greene waylaid and attempted to kill his wife. Mrs. Greene, who is an attractive young woman, told of the strack, as the result of which she carries a bruised and swollen eve, and hus several contusions and marks on her neck. Mrs. Greene he said that her husband, struck her, knocked her down and choked her in-

JACORS CREEK Pa. Dec. 25.—Little progress was made today in the search for bodies of victims of last Thursday's explosion at the Darr mine. The last faint hope of finding anxone alive in the nine having possed away several days ago, the desire of the men to spend the heliday with their families tended to deplete the rescuing forces.

Twenty bodies were brought out during the day and temain unidentified. Up to lonight a total of seventy-six bodies have been brought out.

In deference to the day no funeral services were held.

## AGED MAN KILLED AS HE PLAYS SANTA CLAUS

FITTSBURG. Dec. 15.—Jackson Stilley, 50 years old, a well-known resident of West Elizabeth, near here, while stenithilly trying to escape the eyes of the younger members of the family and hide Christmas presents, fell down a stalrway last night and broke his neck.

# TRAGEDY IS RESULT OF ILLEGAL LOVE

Married Man Shoots Girl With Whom He Is Infatuated, and Attempts Suicide.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.-Leaving letter stating that they had died for love, George A. Green, aged 35 years, early today shot and probably fatally wounded Miss Edith Wonderly, aged 22 years, and then turned the revolver upon himself, inflicting probably fatal wounds. Green is married, but is separated from his wife.

In a letter which is addressed to a Philadelphia newspaper, Green attacks his wife, and among other things says: DUTCH COUNCIL OF and a true and loving friend, as my let ters and hers will show. We died for love which was devied us by her dear mother. This is the only girl I ever loved. We have promised before God we could never live apart. This is our

### secret." Probably Death Pact.

No letters were found in the cloth-ing of the girl. The mother of Miss Wonderly had refused Green permis-sion to visit her home and the police believe Green and the girl entered a pact to die together.
After shooting the girl twice, one bul

let entering the mouth and the other taking effect in the cheek, Green walked some distance from her and shot himself in the head. No one witnessed the occurrence, but the shots attracted a policeman, who hurried the couple to a hospital. The police and physicians endeavored to secure a statement from the grid before she larged into secure. the girl before she lapsed into uncon-sciousness, but she refused to talk. Owing to Green's condition, no attempt was made to secure a statement from him. The physicians say both are in a

critical condition.

sensible.

It was stated at the hospital where Greene and Miss Wonderly are to-night that the girl would probably die, but that Greene might recover.

# CHICAGO TO HAVE BIGGEST

CHICAGO, Dec. 25 .- Excavation for a twenty two-story hotel to be known as the La Salle will be begun on March 1. The building, which is to be located on the northwest corner of La Salle on the northwest corner of La Salle and Madison streets, will be, when completed, the largest hotel in the West. It is to cost \$2,500,000, exclusive of furnishings. The latter will cost approximately \$1,000,000. The project is being financed by the Hotel La Salle company, of which George H. Gazley of New York is the head. The hotel will contain 1170 rooms.

# J. BRYAN GETS TOGA MALLORY WORE

No Relation to the Democratic Leader, but Prominent Politician of Florida.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 25 .-Gov. Broward today appointed William James Bryan of this city to be United States Senator, vice Stephen Russell Mallory, deceased, for the remainder of the term expiring March 4, 1909. Mr. Bryan is a prominent attorney and now holds the position of County Solicitor for this county. He was born in Orange county. Fla. October 10, 1876; was reared in the vicinity of his birthplace, attended the local schools, and later attended Emery college, where he graduated with the degree of bachelor of arts in 1896. Three years later he graduated professionally at Washington and Lee university, and at once began to practice law in Jacksonville.

Mr. Bryan is a member of the law firm of Bryan & Bryan, his partner being James H. Bryan, chairman of the State Educational Board of Control, He has always been active in politics, and at present is a member of the Democratic State executive committee. Mallory, deceased, for the remainder of

at present is a member of the Demo-cratic State executive committee.

About two months ago Mr. Bryan an-nounced his candidacy for the United States Senatorship to succeed Senator Mallory. He is not related to William J. Bryan of Nebraska.

## BEST SHORT SERMON TO PEOPLE OF UNDERWORLD

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Dean Walter T. cimper of the cathedral of Sts. Peter nd Paul cut the Gordlan knot of the Vest Side "vice problem" yesterday in ne of the shortest sermons ever

preached.

The acene was Lovinsky's saloon, Green and Lake streets. In the room adjoining the bar were gathered the dregs of the Peoria street 'jungle.' This ex-convicts and negroes formed a good proportion of the crowd. It is a place of many sattles with the police and may be taken as the heart of the great West Side 'dopeland.'

There was a scattering as the minister.

"dopeland."
There was a scattering as the minister entered the side door and stood in the midst of the throng. Two detectives stood beside him, which may account for the quick disappearance into cellar and street. The hartender heard the shuffle and ran to the spot wiping his hands to be in readiness for a fight.
"Tve just come in to wish these girls a merry Christmas," said Dean Sunner, smillingly, reaching out to shake hands with the bartender.

"Wish you the same, sir," said the "Wish you the same, sir." said the bartender. The mob stared. The contrast between the surroundings and this cleancut, young clergyman with the kind eyes was strong. "I have not come to preach to you, said the dean. "I just want to tell you that we are your friends, and if any of you need help come to us. The church is ready to help you. We are sorry you are here and pressure you are, too, especially tonight. But here you are, and so when you are ready to come to us for help of any kind do not hestitate. I have brought each of you a Christmas card, which I want you to hang up and keep.

keep.
With this a detective brought forth a handful of Christmas cards and passed them around. On each was the address of the church and the invitation to come

when in trouble.

From here the little party went to other such places in the district, visiting in all more than 200 women. For each there was the same invitation.

# MINISTERS RESIGNS

THE HAGUE, Dec. 25.—The Dutch cabinet or council of ministers, comprising nine members, by whom the executive authority of the government is administered, today presented its resignation. It is thought that the dissolution of the parliament is likely to follow. The resignation of the cabinet is due to the defeat of the army estimates in the second chamber of parliament.

The opposition in the discussion of these estimates contended that the efficiency of the Dutch army was not proportionate to its cost. The Clericals, who are opposed to the government's plan for universal suffrage, are pleased over the situation created by the cabinet's resignation, as they prefer that the expected general election which is to follow should be fought out on the military issue rather than on universal suffrage. be fought out on the militar than on universal suffrage. nilitary issue rather

## DRIVING NEGROES OUT OF TOWN OF HENRYETTA

MUSKOGEE, Oka., Dec. 25.—Negroes are rapidly leaving Henryetta, where the ynching of James Garden, a negro, occurred yesterday following the murder of Albert Bates, a prominent white business man. The blacks were siven notice to Aftert Bates, a prominent white business man. The blacks were given notice to get out of the town within forty-eight hours. A second attack was made on the jall early this morning by a mob of citizens, who sought a one-eyed negro named Bill Smith, charged with inciting Garden to commit the crime. Sheriff Robertson, however, spirited the man away from the mob and took him to Okmulgee. Jim Johnson, a negro who gave Garden a rifle, was also taken to Okmulgee.

## MARINES AND NEGROES CLASH IN NORFOLK

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 25.—Boister-ous celebrating of Christmas by ma-rines from the navy and training sta-tions necessitated the calling out of the entire police reserve tonight. The ma-rines, who were celebrating the holi-day in squads of from fifteen to thirty, had become callisions with pergress had frequent collisions with negroes, who stood their ground at times and rough and tumble fights occurred. The wide area the marines covered handicapped the police until reinforced by the reserves.

Recently the recruits at the training school have had tilts with the negro servants, and tonight's demonstration is attributed to this fact.

## HOTEL IN THE WEST PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WILL TAKE SHORT REST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25,-President Roosevelt will leave for Pine Knot, Va., tomorrow morning at 8 o clock over the Southern Railway. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., and will remain at the cottage until next Tuesday, devoting much of his time to horseback riding in the Virginia hills. He will be back in Washington in time for the New York. Year's day reception at the White

# SERIOUS RUCTION IN NAVY CIRCLES

10 PAGES—FIVE CENTS.

Breach Between Bureau of Navigation and Bureau of Medicine Apparent.

GIVES CLUE TO ADMIRAL BROWNSON'S RESIGNATION

## Surgeon-General Rixey Issues Long Statement Setting Forth Attitude.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 .- That a serious breach exists between the bu reau of navigation and the bureau of medicine of the navy, involving the question of the responsibility of the latter bureau, was made apparent tonight in a statement issued by Surgeon General Presley M. Rixey of the navy, in which he touches upon the circumstances leading up to the probable selection by the President of a medical lection by the President of a medical officer to command the hospital ship Relief over the protest of Rear-Admiral Willard H. Brownson, chief of the bureau of navigation, who yesterday sent his resignation to the President. While disclaiming exact knowledge as to the cause of Admiral Brownson's resignation, the surgeon-general's statement leaves little room for doubt that the controversy he reviews was a potent factor. factor.

### Stand of Rixey.

Stand of Rixey.

Surgeon-General Rixey maintains that hospital ships, as a rule, always have been commanded by medical officers, with a sailing master and civilian crew for purposes of navigation. This particular vessel, he says, formerly belonged to the army, and always was commanded by a medical officer when used as a hospital ship. In attempting to unify the medical services of the army and the navy, he says that a joint army and navy board of medical officers which was convened by executive order more than a year ago recommended more than a year ago recommended that hospital ships should be command-ed by medical officers, and that that recommendation was approved by both the Secretary of War and the Secretary

the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy in general orders. Since the Civil war, he says, all hospital ships and medical transports of the army had been placed under the surgeon-general of the army.

He says that Japanese hospital ships were commanded by medical officers after having tried line officers. These ships, he says, are simply floating hospitals, properly under the control of the medical department, and should be conducted in peace exactly as in time of war. This is especially so, he adds, because during times of war line officers cannot be spared and do not and should not desire the command of these ships.

ships.

He maintains that it always has been a doubtful question if the Geneva and The Hague agreements could guarantes the neutrality of these ships if combatant (line) officers and crews were aboard, and it was this doubt which prevented the Japanese during the recent war with Russia from using line war with Russia from using line

## Interference Alleged.

"The internal administration of the "The internal administration of the surean of medicine and surgery," he says, "has been, in my opinion, too much interfered with by the bureau of usvigation. This interference has at times caused grave concern as to how I could meet the needs of those under our care."

The hospital ship Relief, he says.

The hospital ship Relief, he says,

The hospital ship Relief, he says, should now be with the battleship fleet on its cruise, but, he adds:

"The bureau of navigation thought otherwise, and the fleet of 15,000 men, with its auxiliaries, is without a hospital ship, and will be until it arrives at Magdalena bay, more than three months from now. He adds that he cannot understand how Admiral Brownson should be specially interested in the officering of hospital ships, as his duties lie in another direction, and that he should not interfore in a matter pertaining entirely to the bureau of medicine and surgery and, therefore, to be controlled by the Secretary of the Navy.

Surgeon-General Rixey's statement was shown to Admiral Brownson to-night, but he declined to make any comment whatever in regard to it.

### NO LIGHT SHED ON BROWNSON'S RESIGNATION

BROWNSON'S RESIGNATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Rear Admira, Willard H. Brownson, whose resignation as chief of the bureau of navigation of the Navy department was announced at the White house yesterday, turned over the affairs of his office to Capt. Cameron Winslow, who has been designated to take charge of its work. He then said good bye to his late associates in the office and returned to his home.

Admiral Brownson declined again today to discuss the reasons which led up to his resignation. Again he made it manifest that any information bearing on the subject must come from those higher up in authority, to whom he referred all who asked him for news on the subject. He said it was with the greatest regret that he took leave of the Navy department han executive capacity after forty-six years of service.

At the White house efforts to secure Admiral Brownson's letter of resignation or the reasons for his leaving the service were met with the positive statement that nothing beyond the bare amouncement of the admirals resignation and the selection of his successor would be given out from that quarter either today or in the future.

## FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT IN CITY OF DES MOINES

DES MOINES, In., Dec. 25.—One will die and two are more or less seriously injured as a result of an automobile crashing into a cab at an early hour to-

The fatally injured: RALPH LOV

Others injured:

E. Gruenwald.
C. H. Vandervort.
The automobile in which the three men were seated ran into a cab rounding a corner. The cab was badly damaged, but its occupants were uninjured.